IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Title: Methods of Treating a Respiratory Illness by Delivering Liquid Droplet

Aerosols of Nanoparticulate Beclomethasone Having a Surface Modifier

Absorbed on the Surface Thereof

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Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Non-Final Office Action dated October 26, 2011, concerning the above-referenced patent application. By virtue of the accompanying Petition for Extension of Time and payment of prescribed fees, this response is timely filed on or before February 26, 2012.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this document.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this document.